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In re application of)
Larry Bowen et al.) Group Art Unit: 1731
Serial No.: 09/922,637) Examiner: Dionne A. Walls
Filed: August 7, 2001) Attorney Docket: 000417.00003
For: Cigarette Sidestream Smoke Treatment)
Material)

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 19, 2002, please amend the above
referenced application as follows:

In The Claims:

Please amend claims 110-130 as follows:

110. (Amended) A cigarette comprising a wrapper including a dry precursor cigarette sheet material comprising a non-combustible material for treating cigarette sidestream smoke; sheet reinforcement; a binder; and organics, said organics being combustible when said cigarette is burning at a temperature of a high temperature cigarette burn zone.

111. (Amended) A cigarette of claim 110 wherein said non-combustible material comprises an oxygen storage component, the oxygen storage component being a metal oxide having multiple oxidation states.